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CLAIMS

What is claimed is:

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- 1. A G protein-coupled receptor encoded by an amino acid sequence of SEQ.ID.NO.:2.
- 2. A non-endogenous, constitutively activated version of the G protein-coupled receptor of claim 1.
- 3. A plasmid comprising a vector and the cDNA of SEQ.ID.NO.:1.
- 4. A host cell comprising the plasmid of claim 3.
- A G protein-coupled receptor encoded by an amino acid sequence of SEQ.ID.NO.:4.
 - 6. A non-endogenous, constitutively activated version of the G protein-coupled receptor of claim 5.
 - 7. A plasmid comprising a vector and the cDNA of SEQ.ID.NO.:3.
- 8. A host cell comprising the plasmid of claim 7.
 - A G protein-coupled receptor encoded by an amino acid sequence of SEQ.ID.NO.:6.
 - 10. A non-endogenous, constitutively activated version of the G protein-coupled receptor of claim 9.
- 20 11. A plasmid comprising a vector and the cDNA of SEQ.ID.NO.:5.
 - 12. A host cell comprising the plasmid of claim 11.
 - A G protein-coupled receptor encoded by an amino acid sequence of SEQ.ID.NO.:8.

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14. A non-endogenous, constitutively activated version of the G protein-coupled receptor of claim 13.

- 15. A plasmid comprising a vector and the cDNA of SEQ.ID.NO.:7.
- 16. A host cell comprising the plasmid of claim 15.
- 5 17. A G protein-coupled receptor encoded by an amino acid sequence of SEQ.ID.NO.:10.
 - 18. A non-endogenous, constitutively activated version of the G protein-coupled receptor of claim 17.
 - 19. A plasmid comprising a vector and the cDNA of SEQ.ID.NO.:9.
- 10 20. A host cell comprising the plasmid of claim 19.
 - 21. A G protein-coupled receptor encoded by an amino acid sequence of SEQ.ID.NO.:12.
 - 22. A non-endogenous, constitutively activated version of the G protein-coupled receptor of claim 21.
- 23. A plasmid comprising a vector and the cDNA of SEQ.ID.NO.:11.
 - 24. A host cell comprising the plasmid of claim 23.
 - 25. A G protein-coupled receptor encoded by an amino acid sequence of SEQ.ID.NO.:14.
 - 26. A non-endogenous, constitutively activated version of the G protein-coupled receptor of claim 25.
 - 27. A plasmid comprising a vector and the cDNA of SEQ.ID.NO.:13.
 - 28. A host cell comprising the plasmid of claim 27.
 - 29. A G protein-coupled receptor encoded by an amino acid sequence of SEQ.ID.NO.:16.

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30. A non-endogenous, constitutively activated version of the G protein-coupled receptor of claim 29.

- 31. A plasmid comprising a vector and the cDNA of SEQ.ID.NO.:15.
- 32. A host cell comprising the plasmid of claim 31.
- 5 33. A G protein-coupled receptor encoded by an amino acid sequence of SEQ.ID.NO.:18.
 - 34. A non-endogenous, constitutively activated version of the G protein-coupled receptor of claim 33.
 - 35. A plasmid comprising a vector and the cDNA of SEQ.ID.NO.:17.
- 10 36. A host cell comprising the plasmid of claim 35.